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FOR DEV TY ASSISTANT SECRETARY GANLEY

E.O. 11652: XGDS 2 AND 3

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SUBJ: VIP TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

REF: STATE 293197

1. ROMANIANS ARE EXCEEDINGLY APPRECIATIVE OF GANLEY'S EXPEDITIOUS ARRANGEMENTS. THEY PLAN TO PROCEED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHEDULE WE TRANSMITTED EARLIER (BUCH 7088).

2. FLIGHTS HAVE NOT AS YET BEEN RESERVED. DELEGATION INTENDS, HOWEVER, TO FLY PANAM 67 STRAIGHT THROUGH TO NEW YORK. WE WILL CABLE FLIGHT NUMBER AND ETA OF NEW YORK TO DALLAS FLIGHT SOONEST.

3. DELEGATION APPRECIATES OFFER OF COMPANIES TO RESERVE HOTELS IN DALLAS AND SEATTLE AND REQUESTS FOUR ROOMS. HAVING EXPERIENCED ON OTHER OCCASIONS ROMANIANS SHOCK AT PRICE OF HOTEL ROOMS, WE HOPE COMPANIES WILL ARRANGE MODERATELY PRICED ACCOMMODATIONS.

4. DELEGATION CONSISTS OF:

GENERAL CONSTANTIN ZGAVARDICI, AIR FORCE OFFICER RESPONSIBLE
FOR PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT AND, SINCE YESTERDAY, DIRECTOR OF
TEHNOIMPORTEXPORT
DIMITRIE NEGRU, PILOT, TAROM AIRLINES

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PAUL DIMITRIU, TAROM

MIRCEA COSTESCU, TEHNOIMPORTEEXPORT

5. WE AND ROMANIANS EXPECT TO SEE EHRENWALD TODAY AND WILL ASK
THAT HE CONVEY DELEGATION'S ARRIVAL PLANS TO SEATTLE.

6. APPOINTMENT WITH GWEIEY ON DECEMBER 17 AT 1100 A.M. ACCEPTED
WITH THANKS. DELEGATION WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MIRCEA IORTACHESCU
OF ROMANIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON ON THIS CALL.

7. WHILE RECOGNIZING THAT SOMETHING MAY STILL GO WRONG,
WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION OF GANLEY'S
ENDURANCE AND FLEXIBILITY IN MAKING THIS TRIP POSSIBLE
AND TO REAFFIRM OUR HOPE THAT ALL THIS EFFORT WILL BE TO
SOME AVAIL. 6
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